

LETTER  
FROM  
THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

RECOMMENDING

*An amendment to the act relating to the binding of books for the departments of the government.*

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DECEMBER 18, 1879.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington City, December 17, 1879.*

The Secretary of War has the honor to recommend to the United States Senate that the act entitled "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879, and for other purposes," approved June 20, 1878, be amended by adding to the words added to the clause relating to the binding of books for the departments of the government, by the act approved February 26, 1879 (20 Statutes, page 323, chapter 106), the words "nor to the library of the War Department."

ALEX. RAMSEY,  
*Secretary of War.*

The PRESIDENT of the United States Senate.

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LETTER  
FROM  
THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

TRANSMITTING

*Recommendation from the Commissary-General of Subsistence to exempt binding for libraries of bureaus of War Department from limitation of act of February 26, 1879.*

JANUARY 19, 1880.—Referred to the Committee on Printing and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *January 16, 1880.*

The Secretary of War has the honor to transmit to the United States Senate a letter from the Commissary-General of Subsistence, dated the 10th instant, suggesting the propriety of having the binding for the libraries of the several bureaus of this department exempted from the operation of the act of February 26, 1879 (20 Stat., 323).

An amendment to the act embracing the exemption above referred to is respectfully recommended.

ALEX. RAMSEY,  
*Secretary of War.*

The PRESIDENT of the *United States Senate.*

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE,  
*Washington, D. C., January 10, 1880.*

The Hon. SECRETARY OF WAR :

SIR: Referring to your communication to the President of the Senate, dated December 17, 1879, printed in Senate Ex. Doc. No. 18, second session Forty-sixth Congress, recommending an amendment of the act of February 26, 1879 (20 Stat., 323), so as to exempt the binding for the library of the War Department from the limitations of that act, I would respectfully suggest the propriety of having the binding for the libraries of the several bureaus of the department exempted from the operation of the act, and would ask that if this suggestion meets your approval a recommendation to that effect may be transmitted to Congress.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. MACFEELY,  
*Commissary-General of Subsistence.*

# THE SECRETARY OF WAR

Department of War, Washington, D. C.

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L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY,

ASKING

*The removal of certain restrictions in regard to binding for bureaus of his department.*

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JANUARY 26, 1880.—Referred to Committee on Printing and ordered to be printed.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT,  
Washington, January 24, 1880.

SIR: The act of Congress approved June 20, 1878, making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government, restricted all binding, excepting record and account books, for the departments to plain sheep or cloth. Subsequent acts have removed this restriction in the binding of books for the library of the Patent Office, the library of the Department of State, and the library of the Surgeon-General's Office, and I have the honor to ask such legislation as will remove the restriction upon books ordered to be bound for the library of the Navy Department.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

R. W. THOMPSON,  
*Secretary of the Navy.*

Hon. WILLIAM A. WHEELER,  
*Vice-President of the United States.*

LETTER  
FROM  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

The removal of certain specimens is reported to having been done by the  
Department

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Office, and others, to be removed

Very Respectfully,  
Washington, January 21, 1891.  
SIR: The act of Congress approved June 30, 1878, relating to the  
control of the public lands of the Government, provided that the  
Secretary of the Interior should cause to be made a complete  
inventory of the public lands, and that the same should be  
kept up to date. In compliance with this act, the Department  
of the Interior has caused to be made a complete inventory of  
the public lands, and the same is now being kept up to date.  
In the course of this work, it has been found that certain  
specimens of the public lands have been removed from the  
Department of the Interior, and it is now necessary to  
ascertain the whereabouts of these specimens.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. W. Thompson,  
Secretary of the Navy.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

IN RELATION TO

*Binding of books for the library of his department.*

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JANUARY 27, 1880.—Referred to the Committee on Printing and ordered to be printed.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Washington, D. C., January 24, 1880.

To the PRESIDENT  
*of the United States Senate:*

SIR: I have the honor to respectfully suggest the propriety of having the binding for the library of this department exempted from the operation of the act of February 26, 1879 (20 Stat., 323).

Respectfully,

C. SCHURZ, *Secretary.*



LETTER

TO

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

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